

TO HAVE A NEW JOSS HOUSE.
PLANS FOR A JUBILEE IN CHINATOWN.

FEASTING AND ORATORY TO ATTEND THE
TRANSFER FROM THE OLD TEMPLE.

Tom Lee, the "sheriff of Chinatown," remarked with a smile yesterday that Chinatown would soon have a great and imposing celebration. W. L. Gong, a clever Doyen of Chinese grocer, who speaks excellent English, also confirmed his report, and an equally clever friend and countryman of his, who wears a fashionable tailor-made suit, polka-dot tie, and Derby hat, surprised the reporter by the correctness of his slang. He said: "Say! I'll give you a tip on a story. That racket will come off on December 28." Mr. Lee caught the inspiration of this Americanism, and added: "brace up and be on hand to see the whole business." The reporters will be on hand.

Chinatown promises to outdo itself in this celebration. On December 28, or some day near that date, the new joss-house at No. 16 Mott-st. will be opened with pomp and elaborate ceremony. The old joss-house at No. 10 Chatham Square no longer serves its purposes, and the new joss-house, therefore, supplies a long-felt want. On the morning of the great day an impressive procession of fifty of the leading citizens of Chinatown, robed in gorgeous gowns brought from San Francisco, led by the finest band in Chinatown, will march to the old joss house.

A BARN FEAST OF HEATHEN DISHES.

There they will transfer all the sacred objects which the old place of worship contains to the new joss-house, and then there will be a feast of seventeen courses, of birds' nest soup, shark's fin, bamboo shoots, lotus seed soup, bean curd, sour duck's feet, oyster sausages, pork, chicken, rice, etc., which will be washed down in great bumper of Chinese brandy that is said to be strong enough to make a Chinaman chafe like a Frenchman or a Christian rave in Valapuk. There will be music by a Chinese band, and the leading speakers of the town will "dazzle" all by the flow of their oratory. Tom Lee will charm all by his explanation as to how he can be a Chinaman, an American, a friend of "Fatty" Walsh, the Sheriff of Chinatown, and a pretty good fellow generally, without making enemies.

The new joss-house is interesting. It is nearly completed, and when it is finished it will make a fine headquarters for the Chinese. The building is four stories high, and has been largely renovated. The top story is to be reserved for the Joss, and will be fitted up in regular Hong-Kong style. One story will be used as a municipal hall, where the Aldermen will meet. Another story is to be used as an exchange, where all difficulties in the laundry market will be dealt with, the "Fix 'Em" Committee sternly opposing all rate-war.

HIGH PRICES PAID FOR CARVING.

The elaborations of the temple deserve notice. Chinese carpenters, architects, wood-carvers and joiner-builders have possession of the building, and there are others of the same craft at work at No. 24 Mott and No. 10 Pells-st. The fine wood and interior decorations are carved out of whole planks of costly wood. The Committee of Arrangements, which consists of Tom Lee, Yust Sing and Wo Kee, pay the artists at times rates, which range from \$40 to \$60 a day. Ah Cheong, the carver, gets the best pay, and his bill will cover some ninety days' work. It was intended to raise \$50,000 for this building, but one at \$10,000, \$12,000, and that amount was sufficient to cover the new building at No. 10. The cost more than was estimated. Only \$20,000 was left, so it was decided to put the rest into the renovating of that old building, to raise money. The Committee of Arrangements is trying to do it now.

DEATH OF GEORGE H. KEITH.

George H. Keith died at his home, No. 293 Lenox-ave., from heart disease, after having been ill three weeks on Friday. He was born in Dover, N. H., in October, 1840, and came to this city with his parents when twelve years old. After having been graduated from the public schools, he entered his father's drug house as a partner, and under the firm name of Bethel, Keith & Co., the drug business has been carried on at No. 75 William-st. up to the present day. Mr. Keith's father died about five years ago, but the original firm name has been retained, and his only brother will continue the business under the same name. Mr. Keith leaves a wife, one daughter, who is married, and two sons. The funeral will be held at his home on Monday at 8 p.m. The burial will be private.

THE REPORT WAS NOT VERIFIED.

The reports persistently circulated to the effect that many members of the Hamilton Club in Brooklyn would indicate their disapproval of the reception and dinner given to Chamberlain W. M. Ivins by the club last evening was not verified by anything that took place in the club. Mr. Ivins lectured on the subject of "Editorial Reform," and the dinner followed in due course. T. E. Smith, chairman of the Reception Committee, said: "There is no feeling on the subject nor division in the club. I am Selecting Christmas Gifts

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Situations Wanted—Females.

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Cook, &c.—CHAMBERLAD, &c.—By two sisters; both neat, tidy and comely young women; will also require maid and driver to go to country for two years; city references. Please call 1,617 Broadway.

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COOK.—By a young colored woman; first-class cook; good references. ADAMS, JOSEPH, 132 East 2d.

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